WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An information processing apparatus for reading data from a detachable predetermined recording medium, comprising:

unloading detection means for detecting the unloading of said recording medium from said information processing apparatus; and

ending means for ending, in response to the unloading of said recording medium detected by said unloading detection means, an application program started to process said data read from said recording medium.

2. An information processing apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:

loading detection means for detecting the loading of said recording medium; and

starting means for starting, in response to the loading of said recording medium detected by said loading detection means, said application program for processing said data recorded on said recording medium.

3. An information processing apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:

detection means for detecting access to said recording medium; and

restriction means for restricting the unloading of said recording medium in response to a detection result provided by said detection means.

4. An information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said recording medium is a semiconductor memory.

5. A method for processing information for an information processing apparatus for reading data from a detachable predetermined recording medium, comprising:

an unloading detection step for detecting the unloading of said recording medium from said information processing apparatus; and

an ending step for ending, in response to the unloading of said recording medium detected in said unloading detection step, an application program started to process said data read from said recording medium.

6. A computer-readable program for processing information for reading data from a detachable predetermined recording medium, comprising:

an unloading detection step for detecting the unloading of said recording medium; and

an ending step for ending, in response to the unloading of said recording medium detected in said

unloading detection step, an application program started to process said data read from said recording medium.

7. A program storage medium for storing a computer-readable program for processing information for reading data from a detachable predetermined recording medium, said program comprising:

an unloading detection step for detecting the unloading of said recording medium; and

an ending step for ending, in response to the unloading of said recording medium detected in said unloading detection step, an application program started to process said data read from said recording medium.

8. An information processing apparatus for communicating data via a network, comprising:

communication means for communicating data via said network;

detection means for detecting a disconnection from said network; and

ending means for ending, in response to the disconnection detected by said detection means, an application program started for processing said data received by said communication means via said network.

9. An information processing apparatus according to claim 8, wherein said network is the Internet and said application program is a browser.

10. An information processing method for an information processing apparatus for communicating data via a network, comprising:

a communication step for communicating data via said network;

a detection step for detecting a disconnection from said network; and

an ending step for ending, in response to the disconnection detected in said detection step, an application program started for processing said data received in said communication step via said network.

11. An computer-readable program for processing information for communicating data via a network, comprising:

a communication step for communicating data via said network;

a detection step for detecting a disconnection from said network; and

an ending step for ending, in response to the disconnection detected in said detection step, an

application program started for processing said data received in said communication step via said network.

12. A program storage medium for storing a computer-readable program for communicating data via a network, comprising:

a communication step for communicating data via said network;

a detection step for detecting a disconnection from said network; and

an ending step for ending, in response to the disconnection detected in said detection step, an application program started for processing said data received in said communication step via said network.